

TUESDAY, January 16th, 1888.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

A quorum present.

The Journal of yesterday was read and corrected.

The following protest was read :

WHEREAS, "An act fixing the pay of members and officers of this General Assembly," passed both Houses of the Legislature of Florida, and on the 12th inst. was sent to his Excellency the Governor for his approval;

And whereas, his Excellency the Governor, in the just and legitimate exercise of his constitutional prerogative, did not approve said act, but sent the same back to the Senate, in which it had originated, "with his objections;"

And whereas, The Senate, as required by the Constitution, did immediately proceed to reconsider the said bill, and upon the question as to whether the said bill should pass, notwithstanding his Excellency's veto, the whole number of votes cast was seventeen, (17,) eleven (11) of which were in favor of the passage of the bill, and six (6) were in the negative;

And whereas, The Constitution of the State of Florida expressly declares that a bill or act shall not become a law notwithstanding the Governor's veto, except by a two-thirds vote of each House;

And whereas, The said eleven votes cast in favor of the said act over the veto, was nor is not two-thirds vote of the whole number voting, as required by the Constitution;

And whereas, notwithstanding the self-evident fact that a two-third vote was not cast, the President of the Senate decided that the said act had passed the Senate over the veto, and said decision was sustained by the Senate, and the said act was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives as having passed the Senate over said veto;

And whereas, Immediately upon the announcement of the said decision of the President by him, and before an appeal was taken therefrom, two members desired to change their votes, no one expressing an objection, and were not allowed to do so by the President, he declaring the same to be out of order, and that they could not do so without a reconsideration of the vote, which was a ruling contrary to the practice of the Senate in all instances hitherto, where parties desired to change their votes, they being allowed to do so many times, a day or two after the vote of the Senate was had;

And whereas, The undersigned believe that the decision of the Chair was wholly and entirely wrong, not to say arbitrary in its character, that the Senate erred in sustaining the same, and that the principle involved is of so great an importance that the establishment of such a precedent would be highly dangerous, and tends

to defeat, uproot and overturn one of the wisest provisions of the Constitution, and one of the finest safeguards against the passage of unjust and unconstitutional laws—the veto power conferred upon the Governor—

Therefore the undersigned, in the exercise of their right under the Constitution, do earnestly and respectfully *protest* against the said decisions of the President, and the action of the Senate thereon, and ask that these, their reasons, be spread upon the Journals of the Senate.

Respectfully,

E. J. VANN,
HOLMES STEELE.
JOHN M. GORRIE.
T. W. BREVARD.

Which was read and ordered to be spread upon the journal.

Mr. Vann moved that a committee of three be appointed by the Chair to notify the House, that in the vote cast on yesterday on "a bill fixing the pay of members and officers of the General Assembly," there was a mistake on the part of the Chair and Senate in certifying to the House that said bill had passed by a two-thirds vote, which the Constitution required, on the bill referred to, in order to pass it over the Governor's veto.

Which was agreed to.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Vann, Brevard and Bird said committee.

After a short absence, the committee returned and reported that they had performed the duty, and asked to be discharged.

Which was agreed to.

The following communication was received from the House of Representatives:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
Jan. 16, 1866. }

Hon. W. W. J. KELLY,

President of the Senate:

SIR: The House has passed Senate bill to be entitled An act to grant alternate sections of swamp and overflowed lands to the Pensacola and Mobile Railroad and Manufacturing Company.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Which was received and read and the bill ordered to be enrolled.

Mr. Brevard offered a resolution providing for indemnifying certain persons therein indicated.

Which was placed among the orders of the day.

Mr. Ross offered resolutions relative to removing obstructions in the Apalachicola and St. Marks rivers.

Which were placed among the orders of the day.

Mr. Steele made the following report:

The joint standing Committee on Enrolled Bills report the following bills correctly enrolled, viz:

An act to provide for the removal of the State Seminary east of the Suwannee from Ocala to Gainesville, Florida; and
Resolution instructing the Register of Public Lands.

HOLMES STEELE,

Chairman Senate Committee.

G. TROUP MAXWELL,

Chairman House Committee.

Which was read.

Mr. Vann made the following report:

The Committee of the Senate appointed to confer with a committee of conference appointed by the House on the disagreement between the Senate and House on House bill entitled an act to authorize the clearing out of McGirth's creek in Duval county, and

House bill entitled a bill to be entitled an act providing for the stay of executions,

Have conferred freely with the Committee on the part of the House, and it is agreed by them to recommend that the House do concur in the Senate amendments to said bills.

E. J. VANN,

Ch'n Senate Committee.

Which was read and concurred in.

The following communication was received from the House:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Jan. 15, 1866. }

Hon. W. W. J. KELLY,

President of the Senate:

SIR: The House of Representatives has this day passed—
House resolution for the relief of E. E. Blackburn and others;
House resolution for the relief of James H. Bull; and
Senate bill to be entitled an act concerning schools for freedmen.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Which was received and read and House bills placed among the orders of the day and Senate bill ordered to be enrolled.

A committee from the House notified the Senate that the House had instructed the committee to draft another appropriation bill.

Mr. Vann moved that the standing Committee on Finance and

Accounts of the Senate be instructed to act as a joint committee with a similar committee on the part of the House, in preparing another appropriation bill.

Which was not agreed to.

The following communication was received and read.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Jan. 16, 1866.

Hon. W. W. J. KELLY,

President of the Senate:

SIR: The House has concurred in report of Joint Conference Committee relative to disagreement of the two Houses upon amendments to House bill to be entitled an act to authorize the cleaning out of McGirth's creek in Duval county;

And refused to concur in report of said committee relative to amendments to House bill to be entitled an act for the stay of executions.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.

The Joint Standing Committee on Enrolled Bills report the following bill correctly enrolled, viz:

An act to raise Revenue for the State of Florida.

The committee, however, beg leave to call the attention of the General Assembly to a grave inconsistency which they have discovered in the engrossed bill. In section 6, a tax of \$250 is imposed "on fisheries on the coast, consisting of one vessel or smack" &c.; and in section 7, it is required that the sheriff shall collect a tax of \$500, meaning the tax imposed in section 6; in the enrolled bill the tax thus authorized to be collected is purposely left blank, that it may not impose the necessity of re-enrolling the bill, if any further action be taken thereon by the General Assembly.

HOLMES STEELE,

Chairman Senate Committee.

G. TROUP MAXWELL,

Chairman House Committee.

Which was read and concurred in.

Mr. Steele made the following report:

The Joint Standing Committee on Enrolled Bills report the following bill correctly enrolled, viz:

An act to organize the militia of the State.

HOLMES STEELE,

Chairman Senate Committee.

G. TROUP MAXWELL,

Chairman House Committee.

Which was read and concurred in.

The following communication was received from His Excellency,
the Governor.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Jan. — 1866, }

Gentlemen of the General Assembly:

SIR: I have the honor respectfully to nominate as Trustees of
the State Seminary east of the Suwannee the following gentlemen,
viz:

J. M. Sparkman, John T. McIntosh, Stephen McCall, J. H. Roper,
Cornelius Rain, J. C. Gardner and W. H. Robertson.

I have the honor to be

Most respectfully

Your obedient servant,

D. S. WALKER,
Governor.

Which was read and the nominations made therein confirmed by
the Senate,

Ordered the same be certified to the Governor.

The rules were waived, and Mr. Vann offered the following:

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:* That the joint resolution of the two Houses to
adjourn *sine die* to-day at five o'clock p. m. be reconsidered, and
that the General Assembly do adjourn *sine die* on Wednesday, the
17th, at 10 o'clock p. m.

Which was read and upon its adoption the yeas and nays were
called for by Messrs. Vann and Jordan.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Bird, Brevard, Evans, Ross and Vann—5.

Nays—Messrs. Abercrombie, Crawford, Gorrie, Jordan, Kenan,
Morrison, Oliveros, Richard, Turner, Whitehurst and Woodruff
—11.

So the resolution was not adopted.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

House resolution for the relief of E. E. Blackburn and others,

Was read first time, rule waived, read a second and third time by
its title and placed upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Abercrombie, Baker, Bird, Brevard, Crawford,
Gorrie, Richard, Ross and Whitehurst—9.

Nays—Messrs. Evans, Jordan, Morrison, Oliveros, Pearce, Turn-
er, Vann and Woodruff—8.

So the bill passed—title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the House.

The rules were waived, and Mr. Pearce offered a resolution to

rescind joint resolution in relation to the adjournment of this General Assembly,

Was read and adopted.

Ordered that the same be certified to the House.

House resolution for the relief of James H. Bull,

Was read first time, rule waived, read a second and third time by its title and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Abercrombie, Baker, Bird, Brevard, Crawford, Evans, Gorrie, Jordan, Kenan, Morrison, Oliveros, Pearce, Richard, Ross, Turner, Vann, Whitehurst and Woodruff—12.

Nays—None.

So the resolution was adopted.

Ordered to be certified to the House.

The rule was waived, and Mr. Steele made the following report:

The Joint Standing Committee on Enrolled Bills report the following bills correctly enrolled, viz:

An act for the relief of persons therein indicated;

An act making appropriations for the expenses of the State government for the fiscal year 1866;

Resolutions expressive of the sorrow of this General Assembly on the occasion of the death of the Hon. Thomas Baltzell;

Resolution to provide for the payment of this General Assembly;

Resolution relative to enforcing the sixth section of the Internal Improvement Act; also,

An act concerning the publication and distribution of the laws of this General Assembly.

HOLMES STEELE,
Chairman Senate Committee.
G. TROUP MAXWELL,
Chairman House Committee.

Which was read and concurred in.

The rule was waived, and Mr. Steele offered the following:

"The undersigned desire to change their votes cast last evening upon the 'resolution designating the session and number of the General Assembly.' Believing this to be the fourteenth General Assembly, constitutionally considered, as well as in fact, they change their votes on the above resolution from aye to nay, and request that this action be spread upon the Journal of the Senate.

Respectfully,

HOLMES STEELE,
J. H. ROPER.

Which was granted.

Mr. Brevard moved that the Senator from the 1st District be excused from further attendance upon the Senate after to-day;

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Vann moved that Mr. Gorrie be excused from further attendance upon the Senate after to-day;
Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Steele made the following report:

The Joint Standing Committee on Enrolled Bills report the following bill correctly enrolled, viz:

An act to grant alternate sections of swamp and overflowed lands to the Pensacola and Mobile Railroad and Manufacturing Company.

HOLMES STEELE,
Chairman Senate Committee.
G. TROUP MAXWELL,
Chairman House Committee.

Which was read and concurred in.

Resolutions relative to removing obstructions in the Apalachicola and St. Marks rivers,

Were read first time, rules waived, read a second and third time by their title and put upon their passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Abercrombie, Baker, Brevard, Crawford, Evans, Gorrie, Jordan, Kenan, Morrison, Oliveros, Pearce, Richard, Ross, Turner, Vann and Whitehurst—16.

Nays—None.

So the resolutions were adopted.

Ordered that the same be certified to the House.

Resolution providing for indemnifying certain persons therein indicated,

Was read first time, rule waived, read a second and third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Bird, Brevard, Crawford, Evans, Gorrie, Jordan, Kenan, Morrison, Oliveros, Pearce, Richard, Ross, Turner, Vann, Whitehurst and Woodruff—16.

Nays—None.

So the resolution was adopted.

Ordered to be certified to the House.

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the education of the indigent youth of the State of Florida,

Was read as amended by the House,

On motion, the Senate agreed to the amendments made by the House.

The same ordered to be certified to the House, and the bill to be enrolled.

House bill to be entitled an act for the relief of landlords,

Was read a third time and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Baker, Bird, Brevard, Crawford, Evans, Kenan, Morrison, Oliveros, Richard, Roper, Ross, Steele, Turner and Woodruff—14.

Nays—Messrs. Abercrombie and Jordan—2.

So the bill passed—title as stated.

Ordered that the same be certified to the House.

A committee from the House appeared and notified the Senate that the House refused to concur in Senate resolution rescinding the joint resolution on adjournment, and asked that a committee on the part of the Senate be appointed to confer with them on the difference of the two Houses.

The chair appointed Messrs. Pearce, Vann and Whitehurst such committee.

The committee after a brief absence returned and reported that they had performed the duty assigned them, and asked to be discharged; Which was agreed to.

The following communication was received from the House :

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
January 16, 1866.

Hon. W. W. J. KELLY,

President of the Senate :

SIR : The House has passed the following resolution, to wit :

Resolution relative to certain persons therein mentioned, and refused to pass Senate resolution designating the session and number of this General Assembly.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,

Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Which was received and read, and House resolutions placed among the orders of the day.

Mr. Brevard moved that the Finance Committee of the Senate be authorized and requested to confer with the same Committee of the House, with a view to reporting either a new bill fixing the pay of members and officers of this General Assembly, or the bill already reported, with necessary amendments at the earliest practicable moment, and that they inform the House of the action of the Senate.

Which was agreed to.

The following communication was received from His Excellency the Governor:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Tallahassee, January 16, 1866.

Gentlemen of the General Assembly :

I respectfully nominate Henry Forward as Auctioneer for Putman county.

Most respectfully,

D. S. WALKER, Governor.

Was received and read, and the nomination therein made confirmed.

Ordered that the same be certified to the Governor.

Mr. Steele made the following report :

The Joint Standing Committee on Enrolled Bills report the following bill correctly enrolled, viz :

An act to provide for the incorporation of towns and cities in this State; also,

An act to provide for the education of the indigent white youth of the State of Florida.

HOLMES STEELE,
Chairman Senate Committee.
G. TROUP MAXWELL,
Chairman House Committee.

Which was read and concurred in.

House resolution relative to certain persons therein named was read first time, and placed among the orders for a second reading.

On motion, the Senate took a recess until 3 o'clock, P. M.

THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Senate resumed its session.

A quorum present.

The following communication was received from His Excellency the Governor :

EXECUTIVE CHAMBER,
Tallahassee, January 16, 1866. }

Gentlemen of the Senate :

I have this instant had presented to me the bill which you passed on yesterday, entitled "An act making appropriations for the expenses of the State government for the fiscal year 1866."

As the appropriations in this bill to pay the members and officers of the General Assembly are based on the principles of the bill entitled "an act fixing the pay of officers and members of the General Assembly," which I had the honor to return to you on yesterday with my objections, and which, I am informed, has not become a law by a two-thirds vote; and as my views of my duty in regard to the principles of that bill have undergone no change, I most respectfully return to you this bill also for reconsideration.

I most respectfully suggest a further objection to this bill, in this, that it audits the account of each member. With great deference I submit that it appears to me that it would be better for the General Assembly to fix the principles on which the per diem and mil-

age of members are to be adjusted, and then refer the matter to the Comptroller for adjustment. This would save the members of the Assembly from the necessity of voting on specific appropriations to themselves.

I beg leave to assure you, in conclusion, gentlemen, that whatever your action upon a reconsideration may be, it will be entirely agreeable to me. It is with great reluctance that I return the bill to you, but for the reasons stated on yesterday, I cannot avoid it.

I have the honor to be,

Very respectfully,

Your obedient serv't,

D. S. WALKER,

Governor.

Which was received and read.

On motion of Mr. Vann, the Senate proceeded to reconsider the vote on the act making appropriations for the State government for the fiscal year 1866.

Upon the question of passing the said act over the veto of the Governor,

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Baker, Bird, Crawford, Jordan, Morrison, Oliveros, Richard, Roper, Ross, Turner, Whitehurst and Woodruff—12.

Nays—Messrs. Brevard, Evans, Kenan, Pearce, Steele and Vann—6.

So the bill passed over the veto of the Governor.

On motion, a committee of three, consisting of Messrs. Ross, Bird and Jordan, were appointed to carry said act and veto message of the Governor to the House, and notify the House that the Senate had passed said act over the veto of said Governor.

The committee, after a short absence, returned and informed the Senate that they had performed their duty, and asked to be discharged therefrom ;

Which was agreed to.

A committee from the House appeared at the bar and notified the Senate that the House had concurred in Senate resolution rescinding the joint resolution of this General Assembly in relation to adjournment.

Mr. Steele made the following report :

The Joint Standing Committee on Enrolled Bills report the following bills correctly enrolled, viz :

An act concerning Schools for freedmen.

HOLMES STEELE,

Chairman Senate Committee.

G. TROUP MAXWELL,

Chairman House Committee.

Which was received and read.

A Committee from the House appeared at the bar and informed the Senate that the House had passed the bill entitled an act making appropriations for the expenses of the State government for the fiscal year 1866, over the veto of the Governor.

Ordered that the act be certified to the Secretary of the State.

The following communication was received from the House of Representatives:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
January 16th, 1866.

Hon. W. W. J. KELLY,

President of the Senate:

SIR: The House amendment to an act to raise revenue for the State of Florida, as adopted, was—

Strike out the words "five hundred," or figures "500," where they occur in the bill, and insert in lieu thereof the words "two hundred and fifty," or figures "250."

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Which was read.

House resolution relative to certain persons therein named,
Was read a first and second time.

Mr. Brevard moved to amend by inserting after the word "Malone," 10th line, the following names: "James H. Bull and Columbus Smith."

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Brevard moved to amend by striking out the name G. W. Floyd;

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Kenan moved to amend by inserting the names "W. Thomas, J. W. Black and John White," after the name of G. W. Floyd;

Which was agreed to.

The resolution as amended was read the third time by its title and put upon its passage.

The vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Abercrombie, Baker, Brevard, Jordan, Oliveros, Richard, Roper, Vann and Whitehurst—9.

Nays—Messrs. Crawford, Kenan, Morrison, Pearce, Turner and Woodruff—7.

So the resolution as amended passed—title as stated.

Ordered to be certified to the House.

A committee from the House appeared at the Bar and notified the Senate that the House had passed the following:

Resolution for the relief of Thomas Lloyd, Enrolling Clerk, and asked the concurrence of the Senate therein;

Which was read the first time, rule waived, read second and third time by its title and put upon its passage.

The vote was :

Yeas—Messrs. Baker, Bird, Crawford, Evans, Jordan, Kenan, Morrison, Oliveros, Pearce, Richard, Turner, Vann and Whitehurst—13.

Nays—Messrs. Abercrombie and Woodruff—2.

So the resolution passed—title as stated.

Ordered to be certified to the House.

On motion, rule was waived and Mr. Bird offered the following :
That a Committee of three be appointed to know of the Comptroller when he will be ready to issue warrants for the pay of the General Assembly ;

Which was agreed to.

The Chair appointed as said committee Messrs. Ross, Oliveros and Evans.

The committee returned and reported that they had performed their duty and asked to be discharged ;

Which was agreed to.

On motion, the Senate took a recess until 7 o'clock, P. M.

SEVEN O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Senate resumed its session.

A quorum present.

A committee from the House appeared and informed the Senate that the House had passed Senate resolutions providing for indemnifying certain persons therein indicated.

Ordered that the bill be enrolled.

Mr. Steele made the following report :

The Joint Standing Committee on Enrolled Bills report the following bills incorrectly enrolled, viz :

An act to establish a board of port wardens for the port of Pensacola, and regulating pilots in the counties of Escambia and Santa Rosa.

HOLMES STEELE,
Chairman Senate Committee.
G. TROUP MAXWELL,
Chairman House Committee.

Mr. Brevard offered the following :

Resolved, That the thanks of the Senate be, and they are hereby

tendered to the Hon^{ble} W. W. J. Kelly, Lieutenant Governor and Ex-officio President of the Senate for the able, impartial and courteous manner in which he has discharged the duties of his position.

Which was unanimously adopted.

Mr. Steele made the following report :

The Joint Standing Committee on Enrolled Bills report the following resolution as correctly enrolled, viz :

Resolutions providing for indemnifying certain persons therein indicated.

HOLMES STEELE,
Chairman Senate Committee.
G TROUP MAXWELL,
Chairman House Committee.

Which was concurred in.

Mr. Brevard moved that a committee of three be appointed from each House, the House concurring, to wait upon the Governor and ascertain from him whether he has any further communication to make to this General Assembly.

Which was agreed to.

Messrs. Brevard, Abernethy and Whitehurst were appointed such committee.

The committee after a short absence returned, and informed the Senate that they had performed the duty assigned them, and that his Excellency would soon make a communication to the Assembly.

A committee from the House appeared and informed the Senate that the House had resolved to adjourn *sine die* at 12 o'clock to-night.

The following was offered by Mr. Gorrie :

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Florida in General Assembly convened, That this General Assembly do adjourn sine die at 12 o'clock to-night;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Gorrie moved that a committee of three be appointed to inform the House of the action of the Senate.

Which was agreed to.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Gorrie, Whitehurst and Vann as said committee.

After a short time the committee returned and informed the Senate that they had performed their duty and asked to be discharged.

The following communication was received from his Excellency :

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Tallahassee, January 16, 1860.

Gentlemen of the General Assembly :

In reply to your notification that the General Assembly is about to adjourn, I have the honor to say that I am informed that there are probably a dozen bills in the hands of the clerks which have

not yet been presented to me. I hope to receive and sign them during the next hour, and as soon as I have done so I will inform you.

I have the honor to be,

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

D. S. WALKER,
Governor of Florida.

Which was received and read.

Mr. Steele made the following report:

The Joint Standing Committee on Enrolled Bills report the following resolutions and bills correctly enrolled, viz:

House resolution for the relief of Thomas Lloyd;

A resolution to pay certain Commissioners therein named;

An act to abolish the boundary lines between the whites and Indians;

A resolution for the relief of James H. Bull;

A resolution for the relief of E. E. Blackburn and others;

An act to make dogs taxable property, and for other purposes;

also,

An act to amend the several acts of this State in relation to working roads and highways.

HOLMES STEELE,
Chm'n Senate Committee
G. TROUP MAXWELL,
Chm'n House Committee.

Which was received and read.

Mr. Steele made the following report:

The Joint Standing Committee on Enrolled Bills report the following bills correctly enrolled, viz:

An act to authorize the clearing out of McGirth's Creek, in Duval County;

also,

An act for the relief of landlords.

HOLMES STEELE,
Chairman Senate Committee.
G. TROUP MAXWELL,
Chairman House Committee.

Which was received and read.

A committee from the House appeared at the bar and informed the Senate that the House had refused to pass Senate resolutions relative to removing obstructions in the Apalachicola and St. Marks rivers.

Mr. Steele made the following report:

The Joint Standing Committee on Enrolled Bills report the following bill correctly enrolled, viz:

An act to embody and amend certain acts in relation to exemption from sale of homesteads and other property.

HOLMES STEELE,
Chairman Senate Committee.
G. TROUP MAXWELL,
Chairman House Committee.

Which was received and read.

The following communication was received from His Excellency the Governor:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Tallahassee, January 16, 1866.

Gentlemen of the General Assembly:

Your joint committee have done me the honor to inform me that you are now ready to adjourn, and wish to know whether I have any further communication to make.

I have the honor to reply, that so far as I am informed, the business of the session has all been disposed of. I have no communication to make further than to say that I sincerely thank you for the uniform courtesy you have extended to me, and that I heartily wish each one of you a speedy and happy return to your homes and families.

I have the honor to be,

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

D. S. WALKER, Governor.

A committee from the Senate appeared at the bar and notified the Senate that the House had no business before it, and was prepared to adjourn, and asked that a committee be appointed by the Senate to act with a similar committee from the House at 12 o'clock midnight.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Owens, Vann and Morrison as such committee.

The committee returned and reported that they had performed their duty and asked to be discharged.

At 12 o'clock, P. M., the President announced that the Senate had adjourned *sine die*.